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**BAYESIAN VARIABLE SELECTION
IN MARKOV MIXTURE MODELS**



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- 1) Markov mixture models:
- Hidden Markov models
 - Markov switching autoregressive models
 - State-space models with regime-switching
 - Markov mixture transition distribution models
 - Mixed Hidden Markov models
 - Spatial hidden Markov models
 - ...

- 2) Variable selection methods:
- Stochastic Search Variable Selection
 - Kuo and Mallick's method
 - Gibbs Variable Selection
 - Metropolized Kuo-Mallick

- 3) **Simulation results:** Non-homogeneous hidden Markov model
Markov switching autoregressive models + covariates
- 4) **Three applications:** Bernoulli non-homogeneous hidden Markov model
Non-homogeneous Markov switching autoregressive models + covariates

Markov mixture models

Hidden Markov models

Markov switching autoregressive models

State-space models with regime-switching

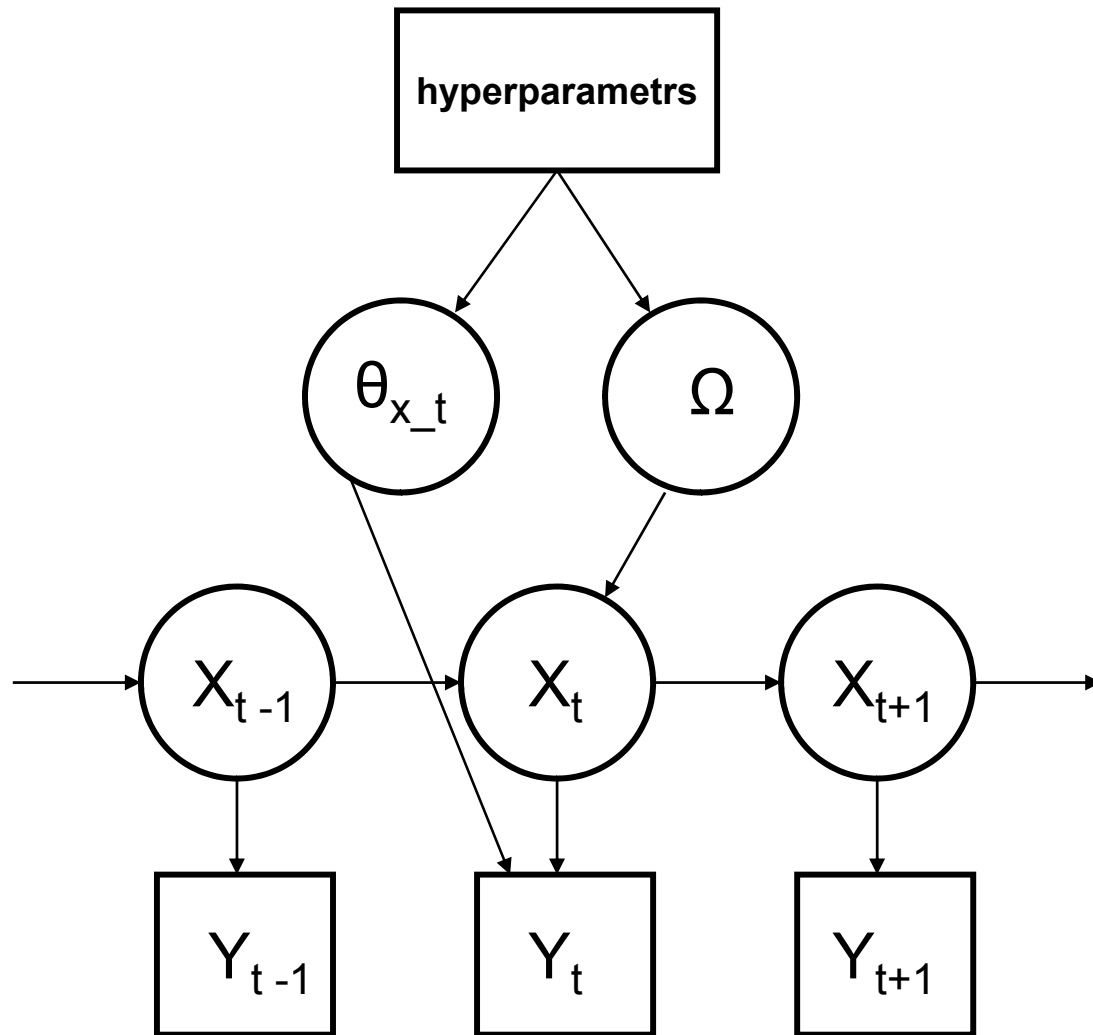
Markov mixture transition distribution models

Mixed Hidden Markov models

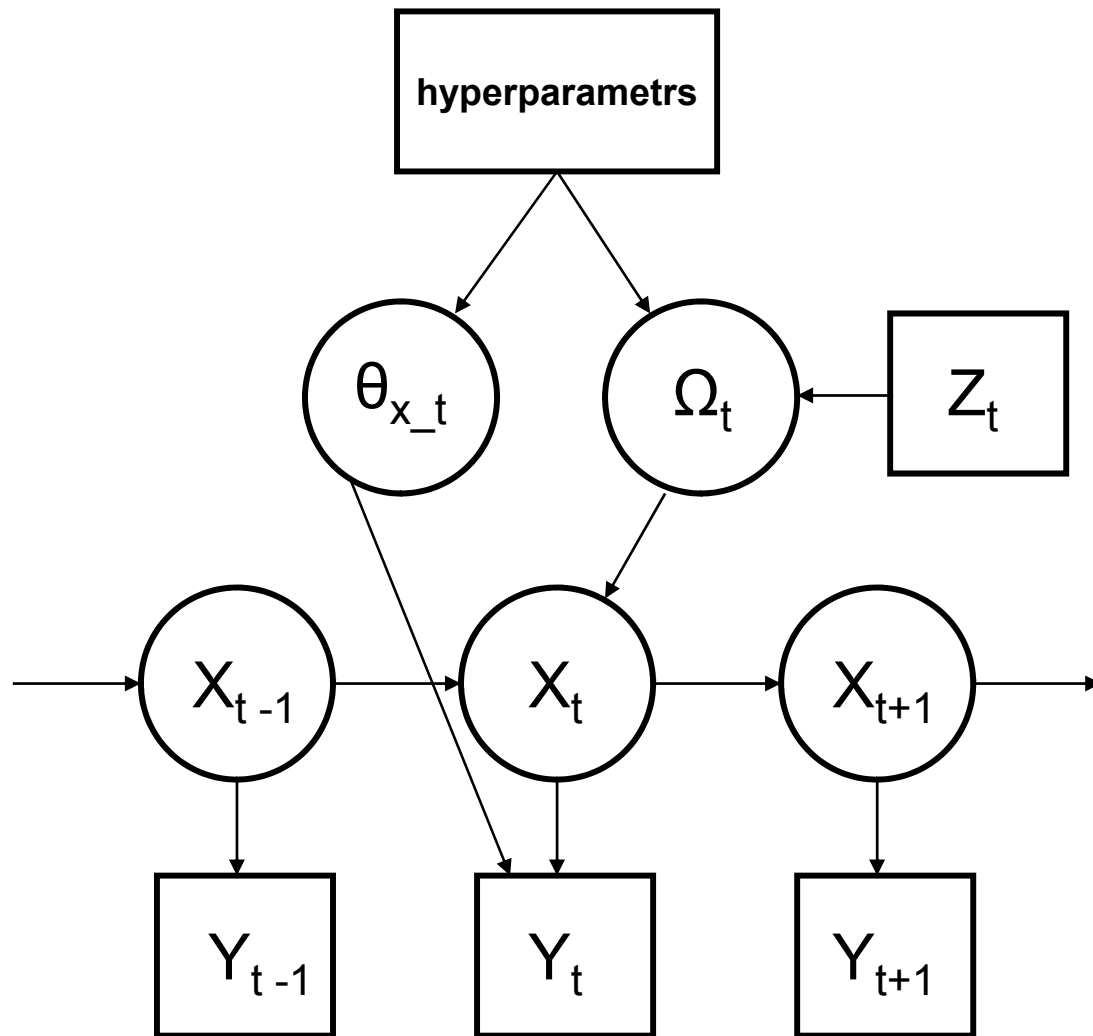
Spatial hidden Markov models

$$y_t \sim \sum_{j=1}^m \omega_j p(y_t | \theta_j) \quad \sum_{j=1}^m \omega_j = 1$$

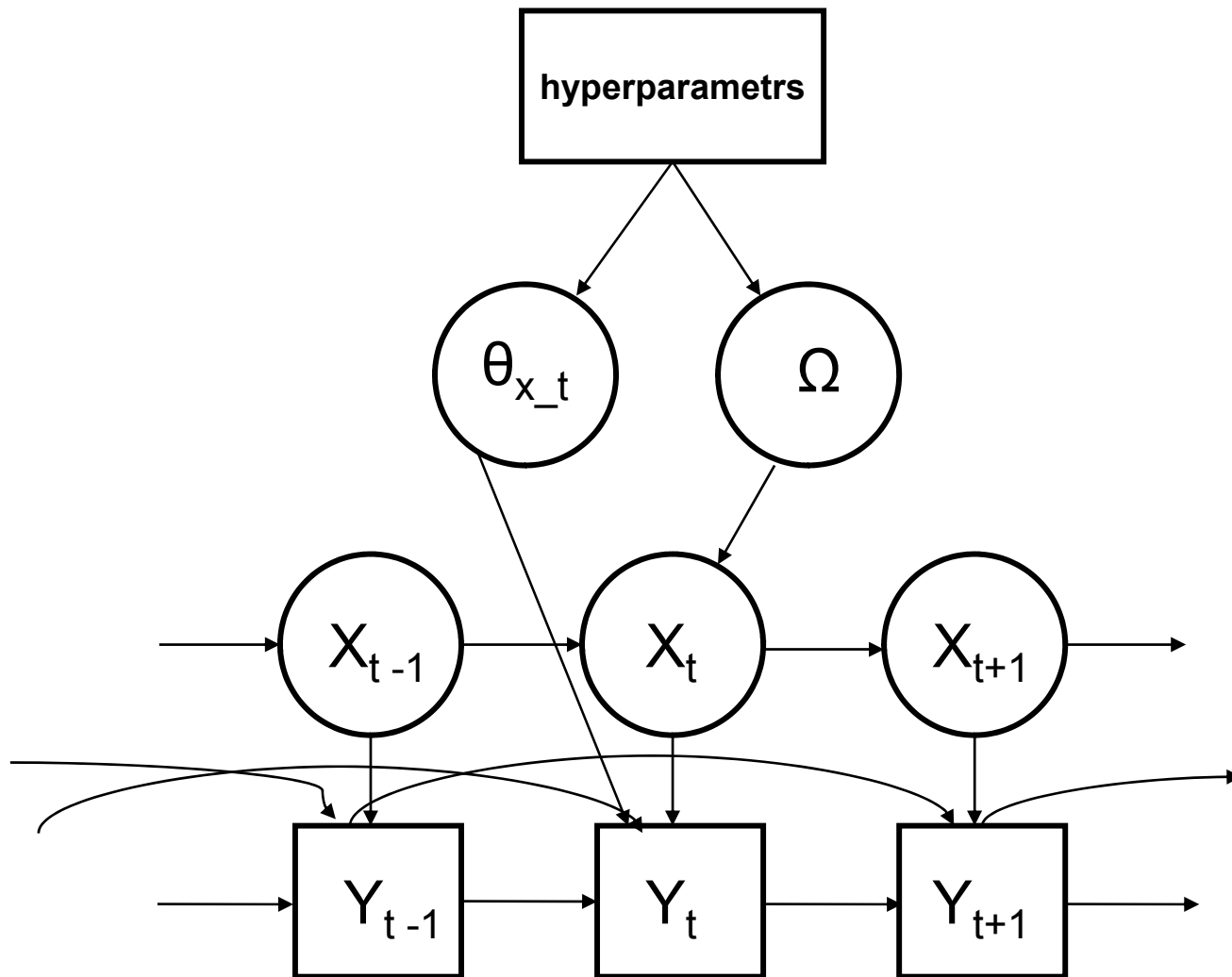
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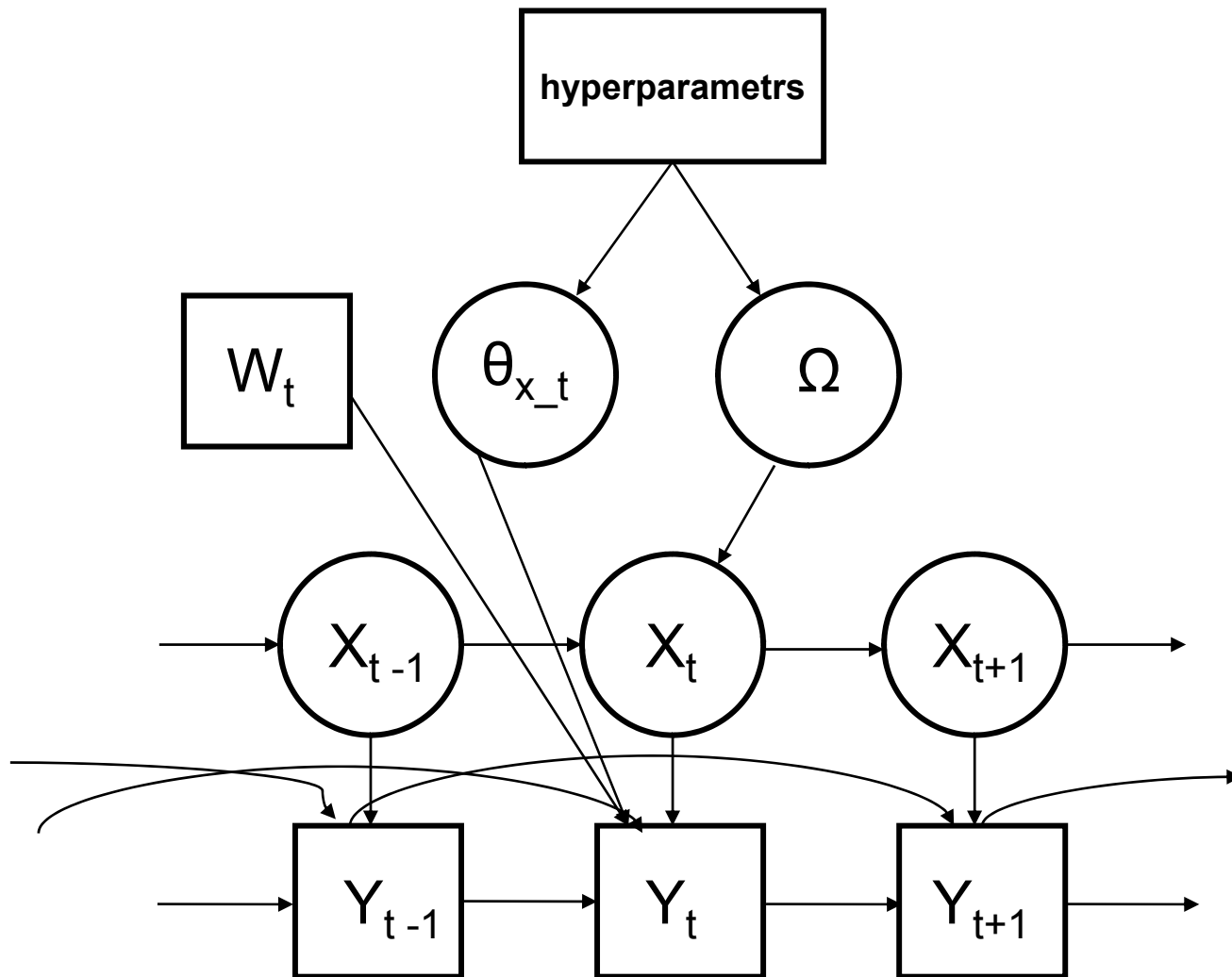


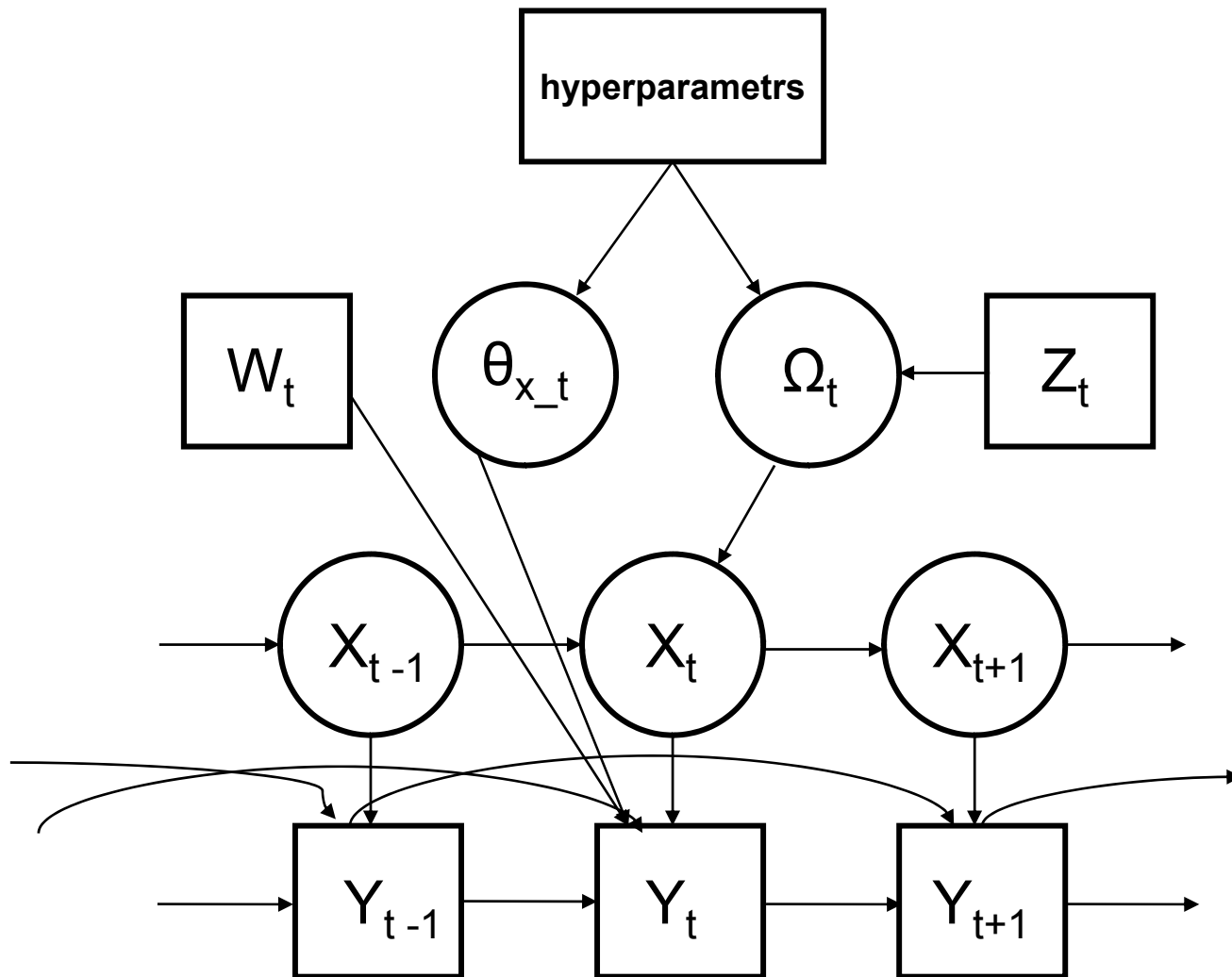
Non-homogeneous hidden Markov models



Markov switching autoregressive models







Stochastic Search Variable Selection (George and McCulloch, 1993)

SSVS

Kuo and Mallick's method (Kuo and Mallick, 1998)

KM

Gibbs Variable Selection (Dellaportas, Forster, Ntzoufras, 2000)

GVS

Metropolized-Kuo-Mallick (Paroli and Spezia, 2008)

MKMK

Variable selection methods

$$w_h = (w_{1,h}, \dots, w_{t,h}, \dots, w_{T,h}) \quad h=1, \dots, q$$

$\gamma_h = 1 \Rightarrow w_h$ included

$\gamma_h = 0 \Rightarrow w_h$ excluded

There are 2^q possible models to select

The best model is identified by its highest posterior probability, that is the subset of covariates corresponding to the vector $(\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_h, \dots, \gamma_q)$ with the highest frequency of appearance in the MCMC sample

(Gaussian) Hidden Markov models

$$(y_t | x_t = i) = \mu_i + e_t \quad e_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0; \lambda_i^{-1}) \quad (i = 1, \dots, m)$$

$$P(x_t = i | x_{t-1} = k) = \omega_{k,i}$$

$$(y_t | x_t = i) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_i + e_t; \lambda_i^{-1})$$

$$y_t \sim \sum_{i=1}^m \omega_{j,i} \mathcal{N}(\mu_i; \lambda_i^{-1})$$

Non-Homogeneous Hidden Markov models

$$\Omega_t = [\omega_{j,i}^t] \quad \text{logit}(\omega_{j,i}^t) = \ln(\omega_{j,i}^t / \omega_{i,i}^t) = z_t' \alpha_{j,i} \quad z_t = (1, z_{t,1}, \dots, z_{t,q})'$$

$$\alpha_{j,i} = (\alpha_{0(j,i)}, \alpha_{1(j,i)}, \dots, \alpha_{q(j,i)})' \quad \text{if } i \neq j$$

$$\alpha_{i,j} = 0_{(q)} \quad \text{if } i = j$$

$$\omega_{j,i}^t = \frac{\exp(z_t' \alpha_{j,i})}{1 + \sum_{i=1}^m \exp(z_t' \alpha_{j,i})}$$

Stochastic Search Variable Selection

$$(y_t | x_t = i) = \mu_i + e_t$$

$$\omega_{j,i}^t = \frac{\exp(z_t' \alpha_{j,i})}{1 + \sum_{i=1}^m \exp(z_t' \alpha_{j,i})}$$

$$\gamma = (\gamma_1', \dots, \gamma_j', \dots, \gamma_m')$$

$$\gamma_{k(j)} = 1 \Rightarrow z_{t-1,k} \text{ included, if } x_{t-1} = j$$

$$\gamma_{(j)} = (1, \gamma_{1(j)}, \dots, \gamma_{q(j)})'$$

$$\gamma_{k(j)} = 0 \Rightarrow z_{t-1,k} \text{ excluded, if } x_{t-1} = j$$

$$\mu_i \sim \mathcal{N}(\bullet; \bullet)$$

$$\lambda_i \sim \mathcal{G}(\bullet; \bullet)$$

$$\alpha_{j,i} | \gamma_j \sim \mathcal{N}_{q+1}(0; D_{\gamma(j)})$$

$$D_{\gamma(j)} = \text{diag}[1, (\delta_{1(j)} \tau_{1(j)})^2, \dots, \delta_{k(j)} \tau_{k(j)}^2, \dots, (\delta_{q(j)} \tau_{q(j)})^2]$$

$$\text{with } \delta_{k(j)} = c_{k(j)} \text{ if } \gamma_{k(j)} = 1 \text{ and } \delta_{k(j)} = 0 \text{ and } \gamma_{k(j)} = 0; \quad c_{k(j)} \text{ and } \tau_{k(j)} \text{ fixed}$$

$$\gamma_{k(j)} \sim \text{Be}(0.5)$$

Kuo and Mallick's method

$$(y_t | x_t = i) = \mu_i + e_t \quad e_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0; \lambda_i^{-1}) \quad (i = 1, \dots, m)$$

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Gibbs Variable Selection

SSVS + KM

$$(y_t | x_t = i) + \mu_i + e_t \quad e_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0; \lambda_i^{-1}) \quad (i = 1, \dots, m)$$

$$\omega_{j,i}^t = \frac{\exp(z_t' \text{diag}[\gamma_j] \alpha_{j,i})}{1 + \sum_{i=1}^m \exp(z_t' \text{diag}[\gamma_j] \alpha_{j,i})}$$

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Simulations

$n = 500;$ $q = 5;$ $m = 2; 3$

$\text{corr}(Z_2; Z_4) = \text{corr}(Z_1; Z_5) = 0; 0.3; 0.7; 0.9$
 other corr = random; $|\text{random}| \leq \text{corr}(Z_2; Z_4)$

ex: $n = 500; q = 5; m = 3; \text{corr}(Z_2; Z_4) = \text{corr}(Z_1; Z_5) = 0.7$

	SSVS	KM	GVS	MKMK
state 1 ($Z_4; Z_5$)	.04*	.07*	.13	.64
state 2 ($Z_2; Z_3; Z_5$)	.04*	.08*	.12	.44
state 3 ($Z_2; Z_5$)	.03*	.05*	.10	.70

Markov switching autoregressive models

$$(y_t | x_t = i) = \mu_i + \sum_{\tau=1}^p \varphi_{\tau(i)} y_{t-\tau} + \sum_{h=1}^q \theta_{h(i)} w_{t,h} + e_t \quad e_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0; \lambda_i^{-1})$$

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$$\gamma_i = (\gamma_{1(i)}, \dots, \gamma_{h(i)}, \dots, \gamma_{q(i)}) \quad \text{for any } i$$

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state 1 ($Z_4; Z_5$)	.26	.58	.81	.61
state 2 ($Z_2; Z_3; Z_5$)	.07	.41	.82	.62
state 3 ($Z_2; Z_5$)	.18	.61	.84	.60

Bernoulli non-homogeneous hidden Markov model for mapping species distribution in a river

Non-homogeneous Markov switching autoregressive models + covariates for the analysis of water and air quality

Freshwater pearl mussels

Presence or absence of freshwater pearl mussels in the River Dee, Scotland

1213 sections t

In each section:

$y_t=1 \Rightarrow$ mussels observed

$y_t=0 \Rightarrow$ mussels not observed

$x_t=1 \Rightarrow$ presence of mussels

$x_t=0 \Rightarrow$ absence mussels not observed

42 missing values



<http://www.snh.gov.uk/>

Bernoulli non-homogeneous hidden Markov model

$m = 2$

34 covariates

Ω_t

MKMK for variable selection

$\omega_{0,1} = \omega(\text{-bridges-dredging-wwtw})$

$\omega_{1,0} = \omega(\text{+tributaries+wwtw})$

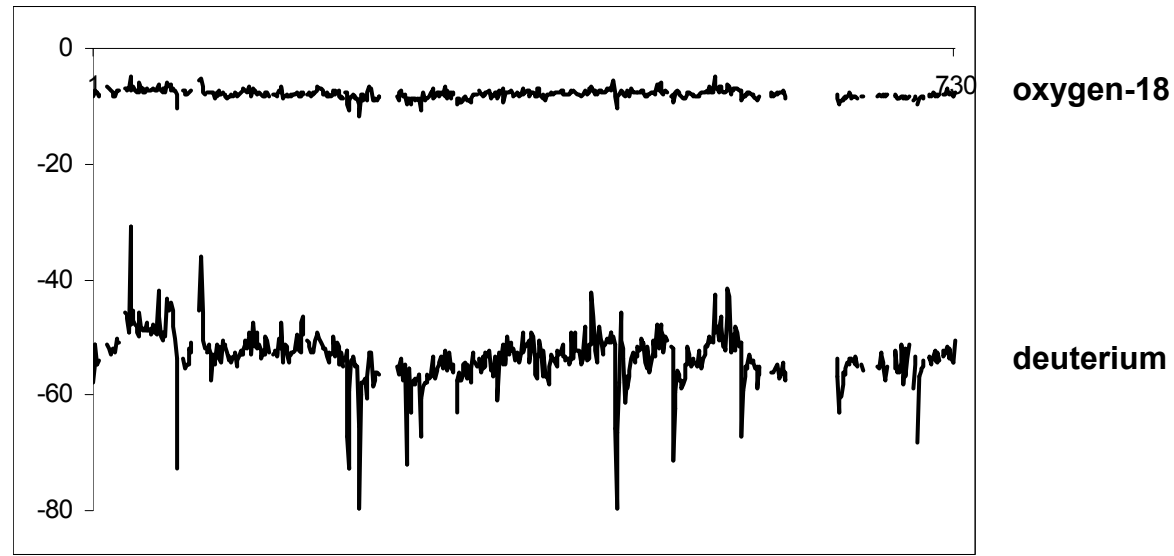
Isotopes

Daily concentrations of oxygen-18 and deuterium, sampled in the Wemyss catchment in eastern Scotland

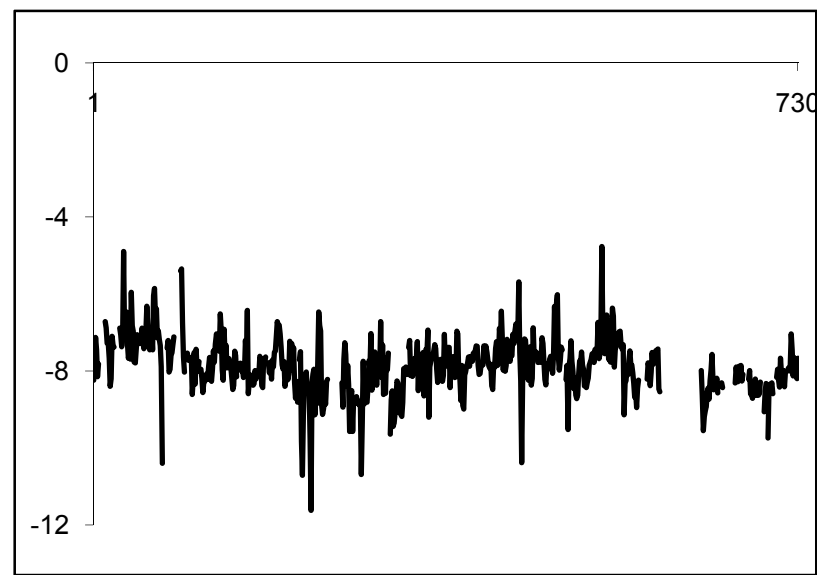
Two years of daily data ($T = 730$)

127 missing values (17%)

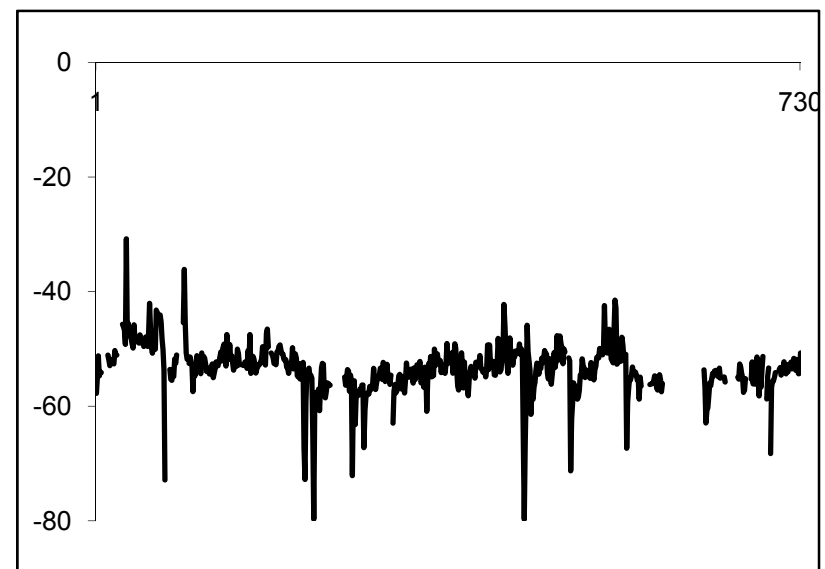
9 covariates



Non-homogeneous Markov switching autoregressive models + covariates + yearly periodic component



oxygen-18



deuterium

Model choice:

Marginal Likelihoods From the Metropolis-Hastings output
(Chib and Jeliazkov, 2001)

oxygen-18: $m = 2$
 $p = 1$

deuterium: $m = 2$
 $p = 2$

Variable selection:
MKMK method (contemporary covariates)

oxygen-18

$\{y_t\}$ - state 1: T, P_18O
state 2: T

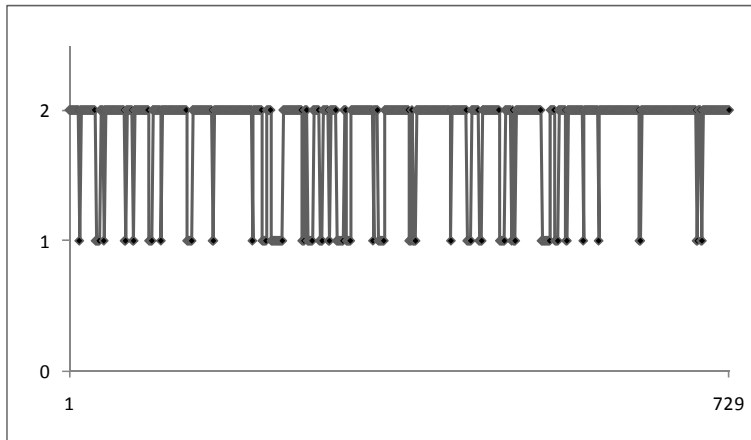
$\{x_t\}$ - state 1: P_18O
state 2: Tu, P_18O

deuterium

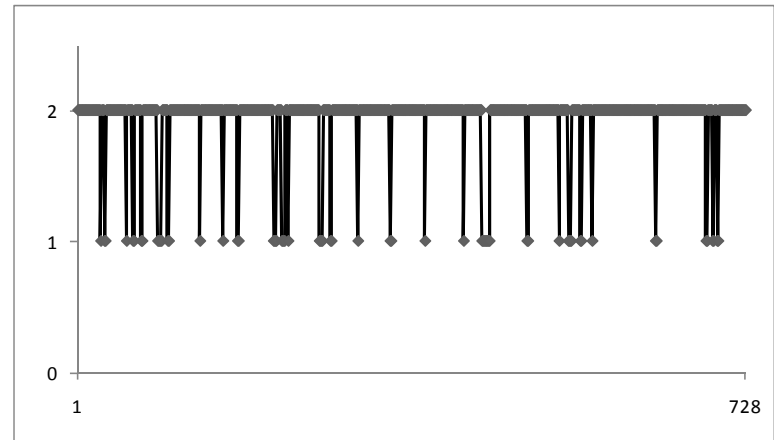
$\{y_t\}$ - state 1: Tu, T, P_D
state 2: T

$\{x_t\}$ - state 1: P
state 2: P_D

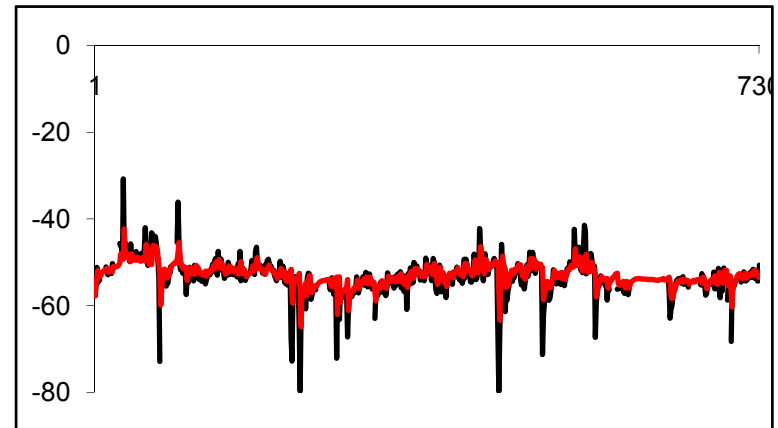
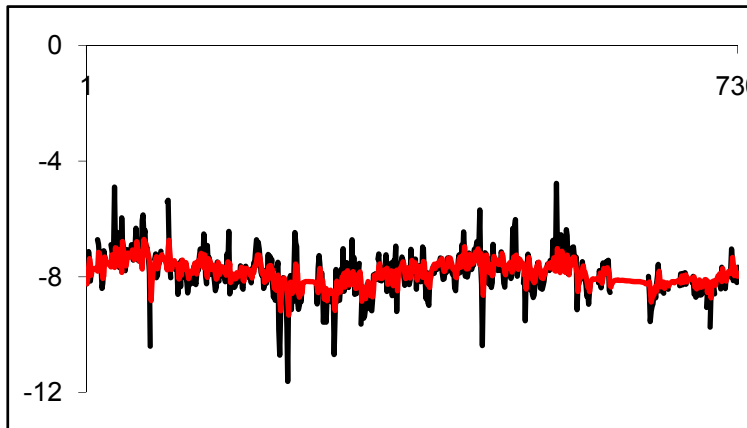
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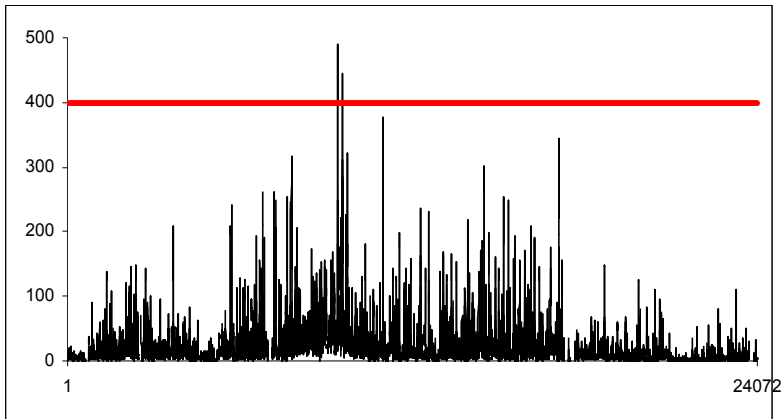


oxygen-18

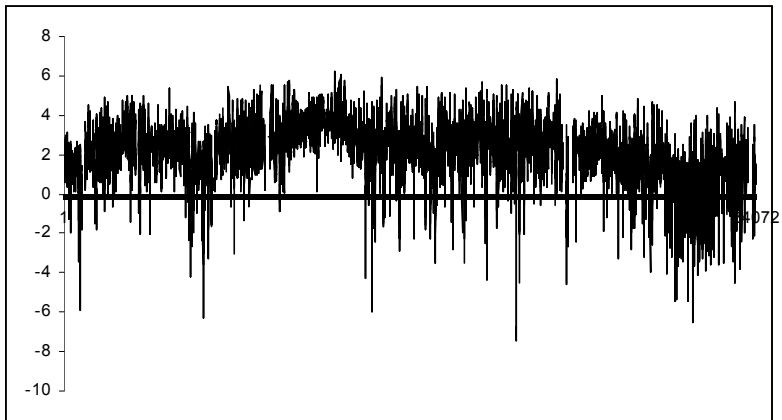


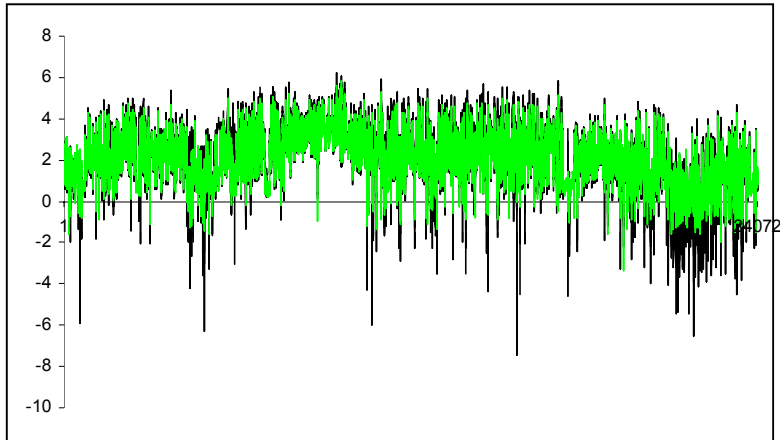
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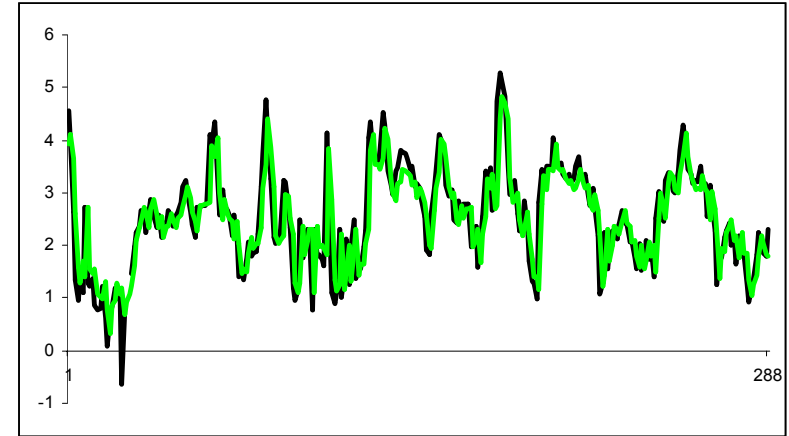


hourly mean concentrations of sulphur dioxide (SO₂), measured in µg/m³, recorded on the Isle of Giudecca (lagoon of Venice), from 1.1.2001 to 30.9.2003 (24072 observations)





January 1st, 2001 / September 30th, 2003



September 26th / October 7th, 2001

BLACK observed values

GREEN fitted values

w state 1: Wind Speed
state 2: Temperature
state 3: Wind Speed
state 4: Wind Speed, Temperature

z state 1: Temperature
state 2: Temperature
state 3: Solar Radiation
state 4: Temperature, Atmospheric Pressure

By simulation studies we compared the performance of SSVS, KM, GVS, MKMK methods when applied to MSARMs and NHHMMs

2 applications of MKMK to NHMSARMs

Application of MKMK to a Bernoulli NHHMM

Negative Binomial non-homogeneous hidden Markov models and freshwater pearl mussels counts in River Dee

Spatial hidden Markov models and birds distributions in South Africa

Multivariate non-homogeneous Markov switching models and isotopes